

At a General Court of Adventurers in the General
JOYNT-STOCK to the EAST-INDIES,

Holden the Fourteenth of November, 1694.

WHereas In and by Their Majesties Letters Patents under the Great Seal of England, bearing Date at Westminster the 28th. of September now last past, Their Majesties are pleased thereby to declare, That the Governour and Company of Merchants of London Trading into the East-Indies and their Successors, may at any time hereafter, Licence and Permit any Commanders, Officers and Seamen, which from time to time, or at any time hereafter shall be employed by the said Company, on the Ships of or belonging to or in the Service of the said Company, and set out upon the said Companies Account only, to Trade and Traffique in and to Import in such Ships from any Part of the East-Indies, for and upon the Account of such Commanders, Officers or Seamen only, such Commodities and Goods, and such Proportion thereof, as shall be from time to time permitted and allowed of by the Majority of Votes at a General Court of the said Company for the time being, and not otherwise, Due Entries being made thereof, and the Duties due for the same being paid or secured at or in the Custom-House of the Place where the same shall be imported before the Landing thereof. Now this Court, In pursuance of the Power and Authority granted unto them by Their Majesties said Letters Patents, do hereby think fit to declare, That notwithstanding any Prohibition in Charter-party, It shall and may be lawful to and for the Commanders, Officers and Seamen serving in the Ships of the said Company, and no others, freely to Trade and Traffique in Bullion, Wrought Iron, or any other Goods not prohibited by Charter-party (the same being for their own proper Use and Account) each of them the Sums or Value hereunder-mentioned, Viz.

For every Hundred Tons the Ship they serve in shall be set as followeth,

The Commander Two Hundred Pounds, Chief Mate Sixty Pounds, Second Mate Forty Pounds, Third Mate Thirty Pounds, Fourth Mate Twenty Pounds, and to all other Chief Officers, as Chirurgion, Boatswain, Gunner, Carpenter, Steward, Quarter-Master, each Fifteen Pounds, the Mid-shipmen Ten Pounds upon every Hundred Ton, and to all other Seamen the value of Fifteen Pounds only each Man, on the Ships they shall serve in, be the Ships more or less in Burden, over and above Five Pieces of Callicoes (formerly allow'd) which they are to have free of all stated Damgages, Provided they have the Companies Licence for Shipping the same.

And also that upon the Return of the said Ships, the said Commanders, Officers and Sea-men have Liberty to bring home the Commodities following, notwithstanding that some of them are prohibited by Charter-Party, Viz.

Lacks of all sorts	any mixture of Silk or Cotton, or the Product of any Living Insect.	Sena.
Camphire	Orpiment.	Spikenard.
Myrrhe.	Cassia Fistula.	Tamarinds.
Rubies.	Civet.	Wormseeds.
Saphires.	Cubebs.	Sugar Candy.
Bezoar Stones.	Cummin-Seeds.	Rice.
Cornelian Rings and Stones.	Assa Fetida.	Persia Carpets.
Pearl.	Lapis Tutia.	China Images and Pictures.
Ambergreece.	Myrsabolans.	Tortois Shells.
Aggats.	Sanguis Draconis.	Opium.
Olibanum.	Nux Vomica.	Gallingal.
Cotton-Wooll.	Oyl of Mace, Nutmegs, Cinnamon and Cloves.	Cambogium.
Cordivants, and all sorts of Leather drest or undrest.	Long Pepper.	Rhubarb.
Diamonds.	Salarmoniack.	All sorts of China VVares
All Stuffs made of Carmania-Wooll,	Cabinets.	All sorts of Lackered VVares
Camels Hair, or other Hair without		Goa Stones.
		Screens.

Or any other Commodities not prohibited, so as the prime Cost of such Commodities exceed not the Stock so permitted to be Exported, the same to be computed at the Judgment of the Court of Committees, or such as they shall appoint. And so also that the same exceed not the limited Proportion of Tonnage reserved to the Officers and Ships Company in Charter-Party, and that due Entries be made thereof, and the Duties due for the same being paid or secured at or in the Custom House.

But if any such Goods or Merchandizes shall be brought home over and above what is hereby limited, That (in Consideration of the Companies great and General Charges in India) Ten per Cent. on the Gross Value in England of such Overplus, be paid and allowed to the Company, by the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen. The said ten per Cent. that shall so become due from the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen, to be deducted out of such Ship or Ships Freight and Demorage as stated Damgages on such Overplus, the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen, to produce his and their Invoices and Bills of Lading (if required) of all such Goods and Merchandizes so imported for the Committees clearer light and better satisfaction.

And it is hereby further declared, That all former Indulgences, Permissions, Liberties, Priviledges, or Limitations made by any Court of Committees of this Company are hereby made null and void, except what is hereby confirmed to the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen.

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